



Al R. Roshdieh, Acting Director
Department of Transportation

Isiah Leggett
County Executive

Construction Ahead



February 2015

Montgomery County Department of Transportation

Division of Transportation Engineering

Bruce E. Johnston, P.E., Chief
Division of Transportation Engineering

Sogand Seirafi, P.E., Deputy Chief
Division of Transportation Engineering

Timothy H. Cupples, P.E., Chief
Transportation Design

Girum Awoke, Ph.D., P.E., Chief
Transportation Construction

Peter Clark, Acting Chief
Property Acquisition

Special points of interest:

- Construction will commence in March 2015.
- The project is expected to take 10 months to complete.
- **Existing Maple Avenue (future Chapman Ave) will remain open to local traffic** between Randolph Rd and its current terminus.
- For more information, please visit www.dpwt.com



Looking North towards Randolph Road

CHAPMAN AVENUE EXTENDED FROM RANDOLPH ROAD TO OLD GEORGETOWN ROAD

Introduction

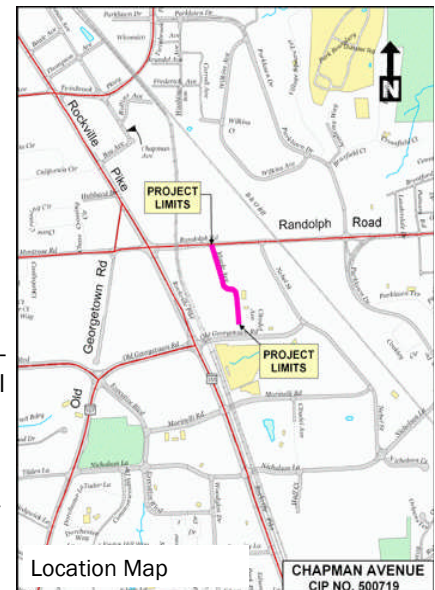
Montgomery County Department of Transportation (MCDOT), Division of Transportation Engineering (DTE) will soon commence construction activities for the extension of Chapman Avenue from **Randolph Road to Old Georgetown Road**. The purpose of this newsletter is to notify you of the upcoming project and to inform you of the project schedule and impacts to traffic.

The project site is located in North Bethesda, Maryland. The project will reconstruct existing Maple Avenue South of Randolph Road and connect to existing Chapman Avenue North of Old Georgetown Road, for a total length of 1,300 linear feet. The

Average Daily Traffic (ADT) on the new road is expected to be 265 vehicles per day.

The purpose of this roadway extension project is to provide a means for local traffic to access adjacent residential and commercial properties without using Rockville Pike (MD 355), thereby reducing congestion along Rockville Pike. This project will be constructed to comply with the N. Bethesda/Garret Park Master Plan.

The project planning was completed in 2006. The project design was completed in 2008 addressing input and comments from the community and other stakeholders. The Fiscal Year (FY) 13-18 Capital Improvements Program (CIP) Budget allocated construc-



tion funding for this project in September 2014.

When completed, this road will be designated as Commercial/Industrial. The typical section of the road will consist of two 12-foot wide travel lanes, 8-foot wide parking lanes, and 5-foot wide sidewalk on both sides with grass buffers for landscaping and streetlights.

For the safety of residents, business owners, customers and workers, all vehicles parked in the Right of Way will need to be moved by March 13, 2015.

Project Scope and Design

This project includes roadway widening, the installation of retaining walls, driveways, traffic signal improvements, street lighting and landscaping.

Additionally, upgrades (removal, replacement and new installation) to the existing storm drain system will take place, as well as the installation of underground facilities for stormwater treatment. A new water line and minor surface adjustments to manhole covers, valves, and hydrants will be made in accordance with Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission (WSSC) plans and specifications. Outages of water and sewer services are not expected during the course of this construction.

The construction contract is valued at approximately \$3.2 million and is within the budget established for the project. All costs for the project are funded by Montgomery County.

Traffic Control, Work Hours, and Construction Phasing

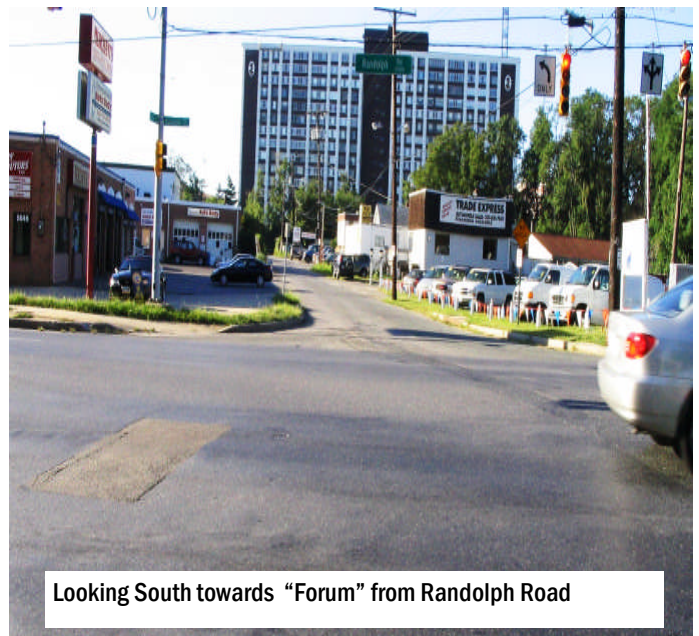
Construction will take place Monday through Friday between 7:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. with temporary lane closures between 9:00 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. Occasional Saturday work may be necessary to make up for weather delays.

Construction will occur in three phases. Access to all businesses will be maintained but some access is expected to be temporarily disrupted. The County will work to minimize any disruption.

Phase 1 of construction will commence in March of 2015. Phase 1 will include the area along the west side of existing Maple Avenue. Phase 2 will include the area along the east side of existing Maple Avenue. Phase 3 will include the south end of the work site. Access to existing loading docks will be maintained similar to the previous phases. In the event that the phasing is changed, work hours will not change and access will still be maintained.



Looking South towards "White Flint by Toll Brothers"



Looking South towards "Forum" from Randolph Road

Impacts to County Services

Montgomery County strives to minimize the impact construction projects have on residents, businesses and motorists. No "curb side" government services (such as recycling, mail delivery, etc.) will be impacted by this project. DTE has coordinated the road closure with Public Schools, Police, Fire and Rescue Services, Ride-on, Solid Waste and the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission. Each agency has plans to continue to provide services through-

out the duration of the project.

Staging areas will be established to store materials and equipment. Within the County right-of-way. All vehicles parked in the right-of-way will need to be moved.

During Phase 1, traffic will be maintained through the work zone. In order to minimize the inconveniences to the public, businesses, and County services, lane closures will be kept to a minimum dura-

tion and allowed only between hours of 9:00 AM. and 3:30 PM.

Driveways and entrances will remain accessible at all times during construction. Warning, guidance, and directional signs will be posted throughout the project vicinity to keep motorists informed of conditions. Please use caution when travelling through the work zone, for your sake and the safety of work crews.



Contractor

Ardent Company LLC, a Local Small Business Enterprise will be the contractor for this project.

Ardent is located in Silver Spring, Maryland and has completed numerous similar projects for Montgomery County and a variety of jurisdictions, including the Maryland State Highway Administration and several local jurisdictions.

Keeping Informed

This newsletter is sent to residents who are on the project mailing list and to the owners of businesses in the vicinity. Please share this information with your neighbors. If they want to receive future newsletters, please contact the MCDOT Transportation Construction Section, at 240-777-7210.

We plan to provide you with periodic updates on this project. In addition, you can visit the Department of Transportation website at www.dpwt.com. Please feel free to contact the project team at the field office or at the phone numbers below.

Finally, watch for signs and message boards posted

near the project site. These will keep you informed of impending changes to the traffic patterns and guide you safely through the work zone.

Project Management Team

A staff of dedicated professionals will oversee the construction and insure that the project is completed safely, timely, on-budget and in compliance with the specifications. In addition, the team members are available to answer any questions you may have. Feel free to contact any of member of the Project Management team.

For questions about:

Construction Activities

Contact: Frank Kingsley
Phone: 240.777.7213

Traffic Control

Contact: Stella Igbiniedion
Phone: 240.777.2190

Project Design

Contact: Jon Hutchings, P.E.
Phone: 240.777.7227

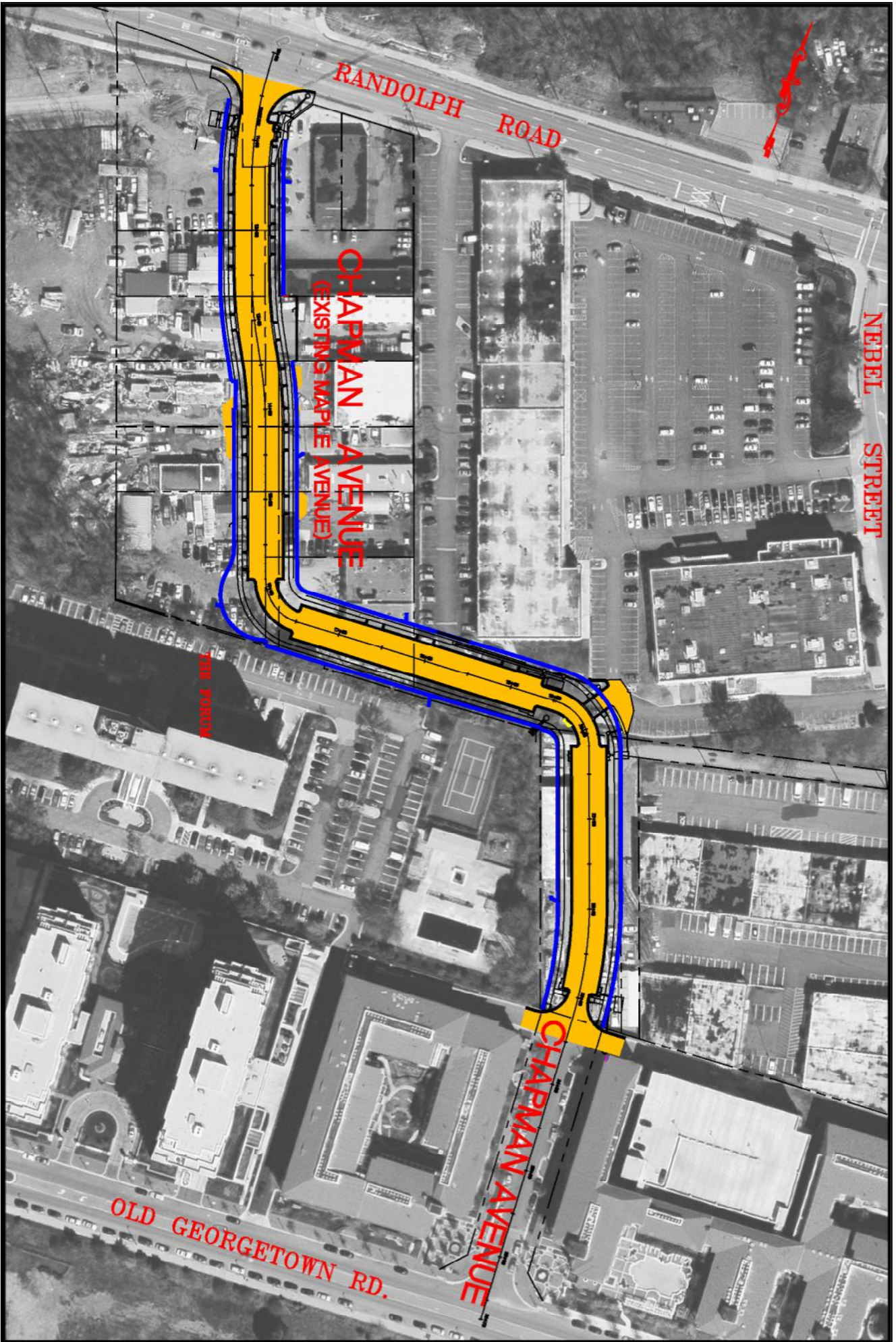
Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission

Contact: Julie Douglas-Wilkins
Phone: 301-206-8766

Mailing List

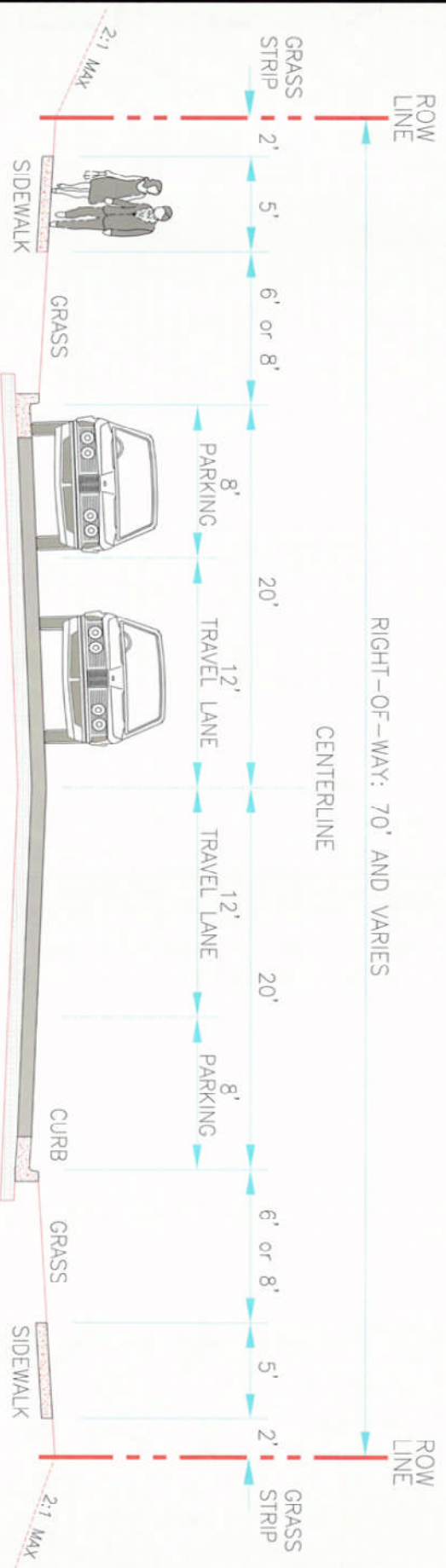
Contact: Jackie Earp
Phone: 240.777.7210





CHAPMAN AVENUE EXTENDED

ROADWAY *TYPICAL SECTION



*SOME ROW AND GRASS STRIP DIMENSIONS WILL VARY AND SOME LOCATIONS DO NOT HAVE PARKING



Montgomery County Department of Transportation

Division of Transportation Engineering
100 Edison Park Drive
4th Floor
Gaithersburg, Maryland 20878

Phone: 240-777-7220

Fax: 240-777-7277

E-mail:

mcdot.dte.construction@montgomerycountymd.gov

**For alternative formats of this newsletter,
please contact DTE at 240.777.7220
(Voice). TTY users call Maryland Relay.**

*"Visit the Department of Transportation
website at www.dpwt.com for information
on this and other projects."*

About the Division of Transportation Engineering

DTE is responsible for planning, engineering, and constructing Montgomery County's infrastructure to the highest safety and performance standards possible while paying close attention to citizen's input, environmental and economic concerns. Today, DTE is responsible for more than 2,000 miles of primary and secondary roads and more than 253 bridges. DTE employs over 70 people, with varying skills and backgrounds. DTE has three main

Sections: Transportation Planning and Design, Property Acquisition and Transportation Construction.



DTE designs and constructs transportation improvements, such as the Mouth of Monocacy Road Bridge, 2009 Maryland Quality Initiative Award of Excellence recipient .